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WHERE are the "soup houses" and the millions of tramps prophesied by the g. o. p. press? How I'd like to be a member of a party whose daily prayer is for "Wilson hard times"whose hope for ascendancy is dependent upon general misfortune?

ONLY fifteen hundred million dollars! That's the trifling sum the navy patriots want Congress to appropriate for their department now, to cover expenditures for several years ensuing! One million laborers, putting their wages at two dollars a day, each, in two and one-half years could earn the amount called for. See how modest the demand when you cipher it down!

THE Rev. Charles Scoville, "Evangelist," scooped up \$4500 for his seven weeks' holding-forth in Jefferson City. A per diem of about one hundred dollars. Pretty fair pay for modern apostolic services, and in marked contrast to the remuneration of the olden apostles who were divinely commanded to go forth and preach "without money and without price." However, who shall say it is not a pleasing conjunction-the salvation of souls with the accumulation of dollars?

THE Richmond, (Va.) Times-Dis patch congratulates Missouri's metropolis upon its successful endeavors to secure the Democratic National Convention: "Greetings to St. Louis, for it is to be the Democratic National Convention city next year. Ecce Speaker Clark and Senators Stone and Reed! They did it. St. Louis has history, hospitality of the Virginia brand, fair women, and men who always look pleasant regardless of the weather. The heat which beats down on the fine old town from the opening of the first rose in June until the leaves begin to turn is a tonic when you get used to it. The convention next held will be the fifth for the Mound City. In the first Tilden and Headricks were the nominees."

THE following is an excerpt from "The Circuit Riders," contributed by Bishop Hamilton to The Youth's Companion. It treats of early times in the West, and standing prominent ly out is the contrast between the unselfish devotion of good men then and the lucre-scooping Sundays. Scovilles, Burks, Hobbses, and lesser evangelical lights of to-day.

Into those conditions of life came an order of itinerant preachers and teachers, like the prophets of old, to meet the exigencies of the times. President William Henry Harrison, in describing the "circuit riders," wrote thus: "They are men whom no labor tires, no scenes disgust, no danger frightens, in the discharge of their duty. To gain recruits for their Masthe victims of vice in the abodes of misery and wretchedness. The vow of poverty is not taken by these men, but their conduct is precisely such as it would have been had they taken one; their stipulated pay is barely sufficient to perform the service as-signed them. With much the larger portion, the horse, which they can call their own, and the contents of their value or saddlebags, are the sum total of their earthly possessions."

THE "night-riders" in some of the Southeast counties-what is the cause of their being? There is no effect without a cause, and in this instance if one outside the infected territory may judge backward from results there is something fundamentally wrong in conditions down there. Is prevalent and growing landlordism the evil factor? I fear it is. The possession of thousands of acres of lands by one that should never have been possible base its existence on the doctrine of Shepherd and Wayne streets, the greatest good to the greatest number. Landlordism breeds serfs who, while they feel the sting of injustice and oppression, see no chance for redress under the law. Hence they lawlessly seek to lighten their burdens and free themselves from the evil conditions encompassing them. I gladly admit, all landlords are not oppressors; but in this land of the free it were infinitely; preferable if there could be no landlords with princely possessions. Would that no man could own his thousands of acres of the land necessary to the welfare and happiness of men willing in the sweat of their brows to enjoy the fruits of hon-

Just to cheer(?) the drooping souls of my calamity-howling Republican brethren, I reproduce the following three out of dozens of similar specials being sent to the daily press these days:

5,000 GET WAGE INCREASE. New York, Dec. 24.—Between 6,000 and 7,000 employes of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company to-day received a Christmas gift from the company in the form of general increase in wages to take effect January 1. It was estimated that the increase would total about \$250,000 a year. All motormen, conductors and guards are affected.

\$85,000 IS CHRISTMAS GIFT. WORCHSTER, Mass., Dec. 24.—The Graton and Knight Manufacturing Company to-day distributed \$85,000 among its 1,700 employes as bonuses for loyalty during the past year in an unprecedented rush of business.

DULUTH IS HAPPY. DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 24.—Citizens of Duluth and of the thriving cities of SMITH & JAMES, Prop's. Ironton, Mo., Dec. 28, 1915.

Fron County Register the Northern Minnesota fron mining some turned "good fellows" to day and filled every stocking hung up by the poor, privately fed and cared for all

Everyone had money—everyone spent money. No man is out of work except by choice. Employers who had never given Christmas presents to employes gave to—day, and those accustomed to giving in past years care more.

Lumber companies established a precedent by feeding lumber jacks the first turkey dinner ever served in the remote camps. They also raised wages. The mining companies opened the busiest winter in the history of the industry by withing their man on the industry by putting their men on a three-shift basis.

Simple Poison Warning. A good way to mark bottles containing poison is to push two pins into the side of the cork at right angles to

Birth of Well-Known Society. The first society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was founded in England in 1824 by Mr. Martin, M. P.



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Daily Thought.
Revenge, at first thought sweet, bitter ere long back on itself recoils.-

When Talk Begins. Hostess-"People are very dull tonight, Adolph. I really can't get them to talk." Host-"Play something, dearest."-Judy.

Catholic Church Services.

ARCADIA. First Mass, Homily, 6:30 o'clock High Mass and Sermon, 9 o'clock; Benediction, 7:30 P. M.

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o'clock; second and fourth Sundays, 10:30 o'clock No mass at Pilot Knob or Graniteville on the third or fifth Sundays of the month.

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Trustee's Sale. Whereas, The Southeast Missouri Hollness University, a corporation, by its certain deed of trust, dated the 7th day of May, 1912, and recorded in the Recorder's office in the County of Iron and State of Missouri, in Book 55, at page 567, conveyed to the under-signed, Trustee, the following describ-ed real estate, situate, lying and being in the County of Iron and State of Missouri, to-wit: Beginning at a point 327 and 7-10

feet west of the center of the south-east quarter of Section eight, Township 30, north, of Range four east, and on the west side of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad; thence west along the center of the southeast quarter of Section eight 11.97 chains; thence south 20 degrees east, 6.24 chains to the west side of the east, 8.24 chains to the west side of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad Right-of-Way; thence north along said right-of-way 3.09 chains to the place of beginning. Also, a right-of-way for a wagon road along the west side of said Railroad Right-of-Way to the Des Arc and Brunot Public Road, containing 5.20 acres, more or

Also, beginning at a point 3.60 chains east of the southwest corner of the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter of Section eight, in Township thirty, north, of range four east; thence, from said beginning point, running east with the center line through the said southeast quarter to the right-of-way of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Railroad; thence north and up with this right-of-way fence 4.60 chains to a corner; thence south 70 degrees west, to place First Sunday of the month, 10:30 of beginning, containing 3.69 acres, more or less, except beginning at the o'clock; Second and Fourth Sundays, 8:30 o'clock. GRANITEVILLE. thence south 100 feet; thence east 140 feet; thence east 140 feet; thence north 100 feet, back to the place of beginning; Which conveyance was made to the

undersigned, in trust, to secure the payment of a certain note in said leed described; and Whereas, default has been made in

the payment of part of the principal and interest due on said note, and said principal and interest are now due and unpaid;

Now, therefore, at the request of the legal holder of said note, and in pursuance of the conditions in said deed of trust contained, I, the undersigned, Trustee, will sell the property above described at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the east front door of the Courthouse, in the City of Ironton, Iron County, State of Missouri, on,

Monday, January 24th, 1916, between the hours of nine o'clock A. M. and five o'clock P. M. of said day, for the purposes of satisfying said in-debtedness and the cost of executing

Ironton, Mo., Dec. 27th, 1915.

Sheriff's Sale Under Deed of Trust.

Whereas, Ed Yates and Jessie Yates, his wife, by their certain deed of trust, dated the 30th day of April, 1913, and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds for the County of Iron and State of Missouri, in book 62, at page 98, conveyed to Arthur Huff, trustee, the following real estate, situated in the County of Iron and State of Missouri, to wit:

Lots eight, (8), nine, (9), eleven, (11), twelve, (12), thirteen, (13), four-teen, (14), fifteen (15) and sixteen, (16), in block eleven, (11), in the Town of Pilot Knob, Iron County, Missouri; also the following real estate situate in Reynolds County, Missouri, to wit: The west half of lots three, (3), four (4) and five (5) of the northwest quarter of section one, (1), township thirty-three, (33), north, range one (1) east; said deed of trust also being of

noids County, Missouri, in book 51, at page 315;

Which conveyance was made to the said Arthur Huff, in trust, to secure the payment of ten promissory notes in said deeds specified; and, whereas, default has been made in the payment of the principal and the interest due on nine of said notes, and said principal and interest are now past due and remain unpaid;

And, whereas, it is provided in said deed of trust, that in case of death, removal from the state, or refusal to act, of the said Arthur Huff, trustee, the then acting sheriff of Iron County, Missouri, shall act in his stead, and sell the above described real estate in case of default; and, whereas, Arthur Huff, trustee in said deed of trust, has refused to act as such trustee and

Huff, trustee in said deed of trust, has refused to act as such trustee and foreclose and sell the real estate conveyed by said deed of trust;

Now, therefore, at the request of the legal holder of said notes, and in pursuance of the conditions in said deed of trust contained, I, the undersigned, the duly elected, qualified and acting Sheriff of Iron County, Missouri, will sell the property above described that lies in Iron County, Missouri, at public vendue, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the courthouse door, in the City of Ironton, County of Iron, State of Missouri, on Wednesday, January 26, 1916,

between the hours of nine o'clock A. M. and five o'clock P. M. of said day, and the real estate situate in Reynolds County, Missouri, above described, I will sell, at public vendue, to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in the Town of Centerville, County of Reynolds, and State of Missouri, on Wednesday, January 26, 1916,

Thursday, January 27, 1916, between the hours of nine o'clock A.
M. and five o'clock P. M. of said day;
the sale of all of said real estate being
for the purpose of satisfying said indebtedness and the costs of executing
this trust.

WM. BLUE, debtedness and WM. BLUE, this trust. Sheriff of Iron County, Missouri, and Sheriff of Iron County, Missouri, and

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